

Educational Materials



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Read Kansas!

These innovative Kansas history lessons include student reading cards and teacher lesson plans. They are intended for primary, intermediate, middle, and high school grades. Each lesson addresses a Kansas history standard as well as a state reading and/or writing standard. The lessons contain from one to 15 reading cards and a teachers lesson plan. Visit kshs.org/teachers to see new lessons as they are made available.



Kindergarten

Living in Kansas
Where is Kansas?
Kansas Symbols Bingo
Family Animals: Reading Historic Photographs

First Grade

Kansas Crops: From Seeds to Food
American Indian Homes in Kansas
Kansas Prairie Homes
The Kansas Flag
Learning to Ask Questions

Second Grade

Kansans on the Move
My Daily Life in Kansas
Immigration: Marijana's Story
The Kansas State Capitol
Games Children Play: Then and Now

Third Grade

I Live in Kansas!
Holidays in Kansas
Historic Places in Kansas
Understanding Clues from the Past: School Days

Fourth Grade

Getting to Know Government
Kansas Land
Famous Kansans
Explorers in Kansas
Connecting Kansas: Past and Present
Trade and Travel on the Overland Trails
Experiencing the Trails
Immigration to Kansas
Immigrant Contributions
Why is the State Called Kansas?
"Home on the Range"
*Piecing Together the Story of Glenn Cunningham:
A Kansas Champion*

Seventh Grade (40 lessons will be produced for this grade)

Nomadic and Sedentary Tribes in Kansas
Impact of Indian Removal
Frontier Forts
Popular Sovereignty Under the Kansas-Nebraska Act
The Dispute Over Slavery in Kansas Territory
All Eyes on Kansas Territory
Territorial Characters
Populism and Governor Lewelling
Progressive Movement in Kansas
Meet the Reformers

Support for this program provided by the Kansas State Department of Education and the Kansas Health Foundation.

- Available online in free downloadable black and white PDFs
- High quality color copies available by order. The cost of lessons varies between \$2/3 and \$3/4 depending on the number of reading cards and whether ordering with lesson plan.
- Credit cards accepted.
- Online order form: kshs.org/teachers/read_kansas
- By mail: 6425 SW 6th Avenue, Topeka KS 66615-1099
- By phone: 785-272-8681, ext. 419



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Traveling Resource Trunks

This exciting series offers a variety of themes and includes hands-on activities to help students better understand the history of Kansas. Each trunk is aimed at a specific age level but the information within the trunks can be adapted for use with many ages. Complete instructional information is included with each trunk. Trunks are offered on a first come, first served basis only in Kansas. These topics are available:

The African American Experience in Kansas

Corps of Discovery

Farm Family in Kansas

Indian Homes in Kansas

Kansas Women and their Quilts

Mexican American Experience in Kansas

People of the Plains: Native Americans in Kansas

Puzzles From the Past

Symbols and Images of Kansas

Volga German Immigrants in Kansas

Wheatland



- Four week loan period, including shipping
- Reservations should be made two weeks in advance
- A handling fee is charged for each trunk. Handling fees are refundable for cancellations made with a minimum of two weeks notice.
- Trunks may be picked up and dropped off in Topeka or shipped to borrower. The borrower is responsible for return shipping costs and arrangements for trunks shipped back to Topeka.
- Online request form
- Visit kshs.org/teachers/trunks
- By mail: Education Division, Kansas Historical Society, 6425 SW 6th Avenue, Topeka KS 66615-1099
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Tours - Standards-Based

Kansas Museum of History, Topeka

- *American Indian Homes in Kansas*, first grade
- *Wagons, Wheels and Wings*, second grade
- *Oregon or Bust!*, fourth grade
- *Risk Takers and Pizza Makers*, fourth grade

Constitution Hall State Historic Site, Lecompton

- *Meet Kansas Territorial Characters*, seventh grade

Hollenberg Pony Express Station State Historic Site, Hanover

- *Wagons Ho for the Oregon Trail*, fourth grade
(Addresses Kansas and Nebraska standards)

Kaw Mission State Historic Site, Council Grove

- *American Indian Homes in Kansas*, first grade

Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site, Republic

- *American Indian Homes in the Central Plains*, first grade
(Addresses Kansas and Nebraska standards)
- *When Smoke Curled Upward*, fifth grade
(Addresses Kansas and Nebraska standards)

Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site, Fairway

- *American Indian Homes in the Central Plains*, first grade
(Addresses Kansas and Missouri standards)
- *Jumping Off to the Oregon Trail*, fourth grade
(Addresses Kansas and Missouri standards)
- *Manifest Destiny*, eighth grade
(Addresses Kansas and Missouri standards)
- *Traveling the Santa Fe Trail*, seventh grade
(Addresses Kansas and Missouri standards)

William Allen White House State Historic Site, Emporia

- *Hats off to William Allen White*, fourth grade

- Visit kshs.org/teachers/tours
- Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance
- Online request form
- By phone: 785-272-8681, ext. 414



Other Tours

- Kansas Museum of History, guided and self-guided tours
- Kansas State Historic Sites, around the state
- State Archives & Library, Topeka
- Kansas State Capitol Historic Tour
- Kansas State Capitol Dome Tour
(only until December 2009)



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Kansas State Capitol, Topeka

- Historic Tours, Monday – Friday

- Free
- Check hours at kshs.org/places/capitol
- Reservations encouraged
- By phone: 785-296-3966

Please note that Capitol Dome Tours will not be available due to renovation until July 2012.



Kansas Memory

Primary source materials related to Kansas and U.S. History curricular standards have been placed in *Kansas Memory*, our online resource. At least 20 items are provided for each indicator in addition to the standard item description. Most indicators have sub-groupings of items that correspond to the standard.

Teachers link takes you to the standards addressed in *Kansas Memory* so you can search by indicator or subject. Site also provides Book Bag function so you can “gather” specific materials for your students to use.



- kansasmemory.org



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Project Archaeology

This project uses inquiry to foster understanding of past and present cultures, improves social studies and science education, and enhance citizenship education to help preserve our archeological legacy. The materials relate to specific Kansas reading, history, science, and writing standards. The Kansas Historical Society is creating materials for three grade levels. Each unit includes a student magazine, student journal, and teacher guide.

Archaeology of the Wichita Grass House, fourth grade
(in development)

Archaeology of Early Agriculture in Kansas, fifth grade
(in development)

Migration of the Pueblo People to El Cuartelejo, seventh grade
(complete)

- kshs.org/teachers/project_archaeology



The Kansas Journey

Seventh grade textbook by Jennie Chinn,
Kansas Historical Society executive director



- Exclusively available for teachers at the Museum Store and Gibbs-Smith Publishers
- Online supplement Teacher's Resource Package
- Visit kshs.org/teachers/professional/textbook
- Information at 785-272-8681, ext. 414



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KITES - Kansas Interpretive Traveling Exhibits Service

These traveling exhibits feature a variety of topics and are ideal for schools, museums, libraries, arts councils, and retirement homes. Format and mounting systems vary by exhibit and are described online. The cost for shipping is minimal. (Bookings of these exhibits are limited to Kansas sites.) Available in these topics:



- *Amelia Earhart: Taking Flight in Kansas*
- *Barn Yesterday: Remembering Kansas Barns*
- *Black Women: Achievements Against the Odds*
- *Brown vs. Board of Education, In Pursuit of Freedom and Equality*
- *Capturing the Times, Photographs of the Farm Security Administration*
- *Continuing the Tradition: Mexican American Folk Art*
- *Custom Cowboy Boots: The Kansas Story*
- *Dust Bowl in Kansas*
- *A Farm Farewell: Bittersweet Harvest*
- *From Far Away Russia: Russian Germans in Kansas*
- *Kansans of African Descent: Selected Portraits*
- *Kansas and the Home Front*
- *Kansas: Land of Literature*
- *Kansas Tornadoes*
- *Lincoln in Kansas*
- *Native American Folk Arts: Living Traditions*
- *A Photographic Narrative: The Indians of Kansas*
- *Reflections on the War: Women and Their Civil War Quilts*
- *Southeast Asian Traditions from the Homelands*
- *Those Who Came Before: Mexican Americans in Kansas 1900-1950*
- *Wheat People: Celebrating Kansas Harvest*
- *William Allen White: Sage of Emporia*

- Handling fee for each exhibit is \$35
- Borrower must pay round-trip shipping or pick up the exhibit at the Historical Society in Topeka
- Online request form
- Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance
- Visit ksht.org/exhibits/traveling
- By mail: 6425 SW 6th Avenue, Topeka KS 66615-1099
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Special Events

The Kansas Historical Society hosts a number of events for schools and youth groups in Topeka, the Kansas State Capitol, and at our State Historic Sites. Check online for specific schedules at kshs.org/calendar.

Kansas Day at the Museum, January, Topeka

History & Environmental Fair, April, Topeka

Theme Days, May, Fairway

Fiber Fest, May, Fairway

Fort Hays Young Troopers, June, Hays

Bald Eagle Rendezvous, September, Lecompton



• kshs.org/calendar



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